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SUBJECT: Clarification - New/Revised Risk Codes

This memo is intended to clarify information regarding the new and revised risk codes provided in Memo 02-001, dated January 2, 2002. Due to the implementation of the new growth charts and the use of BMI, some risk codes definitions have been revised or added. The new or revised risk codes include: 103, 113, 114, 131 and 133. Memo 02-001 stated, "These codes are not to be used until April 1, 2002." The intention of this statement was that the *new or revised* risk code definitions should not be used until April 1, 2002. **All current risk code definitions should continue to be applied through March 31, 2002.**

Information on the new and revised risk codes will be provided in the trainings scheduled for February 13 and March 1. As a result of these changes, the infant and child participant forms have also been revised. Please note that you also need to order the revised participant forms, WIC-36 and WIC-38, in order to implement the new/revised risk codes on April 1, 2002. These forms will be sent to you along with your order for the new growth charts. Please refer to Memo 02-001 for the order form and for more information on ordering these forms.

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